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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 13 February 2004.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-10 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-10 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☒ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 13 February 2004 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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Continuation of Attachment(s) 3). Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08), Paper No(s)/Mail Date :2-13-04, 3-29-04, 4-6-05, 3-3-06, 5-22-06, 8-11-06, 11-8-06, .

DETAILED ACTION

Information Disclosure Statement

1. The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on November 8, 2006, is in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97. Accordingly, the information disclosure statement is being considered by the examiner.
2. The information disclosure statement's filed February 13, 2004, March 29, 2004, April 6, 2005, March 3, 2006, May 22, 2006, and August 11, 2006, have not been considered because they contain the same references as disclosed in the information disclosure statement filed November 8, 2006.

Specification

3. The disclosure is objected to because of the following informalities: the "CROSS-REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS" section need updated to reflect applications that have matured into patents. This is found on page 1 of the specification. Appropriate correction is required.

Double Patenting

4. A rejection based on double patenting of the "same invention" type finds its support in the language of 35 U.S.C. 101 which states that "whoever invents or discovers any new and useful process ... may obtain a patent therefor ..." (Emphasis added). Thus, the term "same invention," in this context, means an invention drawn to identical subject matter. See *Miller v. Eagle Mfg. Co.*, 151 U.S. 186 (1894); *In re Ockert*, 245 F.2d 467, 114 USPQ 330 (CCPA 1957); and *In re Vogel*, 422 F.2d 438, 164 USPQ 619 (CCPA 1970).

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A statutory type (35 U.S.C. 101) double patenting rejection can be overcome by canceling or amending the conflicting claims so they are no longer coextensive in scope. The filing of a terminal disclaimer cannot overcome a double patenting rejection based upon 35 U.S.C. 101.

5. Applicant is advised that should claims 1-10 be found allowable, claims 1-10 will be objected to under 37 CFR 1.75 as being a substantial duplicate thereof. When two claims in an application are duplicates or else are so close in content that they both cover the same thing, despite a slight difference in wording, it is proper after allowing one claim to object to the other as being a substantial duplicate of the allowed claim. See MPEP § 706.03(k).

6. Claims 1-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 as claiming the same invention as that of claims 1-10 of prior U.S. Patent No. 6,973,579. This is a double patenting rejection.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

7. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

8. Claims 1-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Moon (U.S. Patent No. 6,539,047).

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Regarding claim 1, Moon teaches an apparatus comprising:

- An input configured to accept a user identification comprising L bits (fig. 7, INPUT); and
- An output configured to produce a code used for scrambling a high speed shared control channel (HS-SCCH) (fig. 7, Z_n);
- Wherein the apparatus effectively processes at least the L bits of the user identification by a $\frac{1}{2}$ rate convolutional code (col. 1, line 60 through col. 2, line 6).

Regarding claim 2, Moon teaches further for effectively performing a $\frac{1}{2}$ rate convolutional coding to produce the code used for scrambling the HS-SCCH (col. 2, lines 1-4).

Regarding claims 3 and 5, Moon teaches a user equipment comprising:

- An input configured to accept a 16 bit user identification (fig. 7, INPUT); and
- A device/means for processing the 16 bit user identification code with eight appended zero bits effectively using a $\frac{1}{2}$ rate convolutional encoding to produce a 48 bit code for use in descrambling a high speed shared control channel (HS-SCCH) (col. 1, line 60 through col. 2, line 6).

Regarding claims 4 and 8, Moon teaches wherein the device further effectively performs rate matching to puncture eight bits after the production of the 48 bit code (col. 2, lines 1-4).

Regarding claims 6 and 10, Moon teaches further comprising means for puncturing eight bits after the production of the 48 bit code (col. 2, lines 1-4).

Regarding claims 7 and 9, Moon teaches a base station comprising:

- An input configured to accept a 16 bit user identification (fig. 7, INPUT); and
- A device/means for processing the 16 bit user identification code with eight appended zero bits by effectively performing a $\frac{1}{2}$ rate convolutional encoding to produce a 48 bit code for use in scrambling a high speed shared control channel (HS-SCCH) for a user equipment associated with the 16 bit user identification (col. 1, line 60 through col. 2, line 6).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Brandon S. Hoffman whose telephone number is 571-272-3863. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:30 - 5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nasser G. Moazzami can be reached on 571-272-4195. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.


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